

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

These claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the present application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device, in particular a throttle valve adjusting device for combustion engines, comprising:  
with a valve housing; that features  
a valve connected to a valve shaft, via which the valve is pivoted in the valve  
housing at least on one side;  
and with  
a drive unit comprising  
that features
  - i. at least one electric motor and a reduction gear operably connected  
to drive the valve; and
  - ii. a sensor for reporting the position of the valve adjustment of the  
valve, whereinwhereby at least the reduction gear is arranged in a firsthousing  
that comprisesfeatures a contact plate fixed to the valve housing and a cover  
closing the first housing, whereincharacterized in that the electric motor (7) is  
arranged outside the first housing (9) and the valve housing (2),  
whereinwhereby the electric motor (7) is embodied open on one side and over  
a pole tube (16) and the pole tube has awhose first open end (17) placed on a  
drive shaft (14) of the electric motor (7) and the first open end (17) is plugged on  
an annular shoulder (20) of the contact plate (10) running axially, by means of  
whichits so as to close the first open end (17) can be closed, and the pole tube  
has awhose second, closed end (18) is arranged at least indirectly in a bearing  
block (26) of the valve housing (2), whereinwhereby the drive shaft (14) of the  
electric motor (7) is supported on the one side in the contact plate (10) and on

anthe other side in a bearing position-(19) at the second closed end-(18) of the pole tube-(16), and whereinwhereby the pole tube-(16) simultaneously serves as a secondthe housing of the electric motor-(7).

2. (Currently Amended) A throttle vValve adjusting device according to Claim 1, whereincharacterized in that the essentially axially running annular shoulder-(20) of the contact plate-(10) is embodied in the form of segments and runs essentially axially.
3. (Currently Amended) A throttle vValve adjusting device according to Claim 1 or 2, whereincharacterized in that the magnets are fixed in the pole tube-(16) by means of an axially arranged spring element-(21) that presses the magnets in a tangential direction against at least one projection-(22) on anthe inner wall of the pole tube-(16), and the pole tube comprises(16) features, at least on atthe side facing the valve housing-(2), a flat spot-(23) running in the axial direction.
4. (Currently Amended) A throttle vValve adjusting device according to one of the previous Claims 1, whereincharacterized in that brush springs-(13) of the electric motor-(7), connected to a collector-(12), are fixed on the contact plate-(10) of the throttle valve adjusting device-(1) by either frictional or positive engagement connections for the contacting.
5. (Currently Amended) A throttle vValve adjusting device according to one of the previous Claims 1, whereincharacterized in that the contact plate comprises(10) features an attachment flange-(41) to fix a plug-(36) to the electrical contacting,

wherein~~whereby~~ the connecting pins (38) of the respective plug (36) are injected or locked in.

6. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to ~~one of the previous Claims 1, wherein characterized in that the reduction gear comprises~~(8) features

i. a drive gear-(28) arranged on the drive shaft (14) of the electric motor (7) so that the drive gearit is at least torsionally rigid;

ii. a gear center wheel-(29) in the form of a double gear wheel that is supported on a gear center wheel axle (30); and features

a driven gear-(32) arranged on the valve shaft-(4) so that the driven gearit is at least torsionally rigid, wherein~~whereby~~ the gear center wheel axle (30) is fixed to the valve housing (2) and extends into the first housing (9) of the reduction gear-(8) through a hole-(31) in the contact plate-(10).

7. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to ~~one of the previous Claims 1, wherein characterized in that the valve housing~~(2) is made of light metal or plastic.

8. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to ~~one of the previous Claims 1, wherein characterized in that the contact plate~~-(10) is made of a nonconductive plastic.

9. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to ~~one of the previous Claims 1, wherein characterized in that the sensor is embodied as a~~

potentiometer, which is arranged in the first housing (9) and has whose arm tracks are printed directly onto the contact plate (10) or a printed circuit board (34).

10. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to one of the previous Claims 1, wherein characterized in that the electrical conducting tracks (37) are arranged in the first housing (9) and printed or sprayed or injected onto the contact plate (10).

11. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to one of Claims 1 to 9, wherein characterized in that the electrical conducting tracks comprising (37) are embodied as stampings, which are arranged bare in the first housing (9) of the reduction gear (8).

12. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to one of the previous Claims 1, wherein characterized in that the electric motor (7) is fixed, via screws or projections disposed at the second closed end of the pole tube, to the bearing block (26) so that the electric motor is torsionally rigid, via screws (27) or projections embodied at the closed end (18) of the pole tube (16), which projections engage in a corresponding recess of the bearing block (26).

13. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to one of Claims 31 to 44, wherein characterized in that the torsional strength of the pole tube (16) is produced by via the axially running shoulder (20) of the contact plate since (10), in that the flat spot (23) of the pole tube (16) engages in a corresponding flat spot of the otherwise annular shoulder (20).

14. (Currently Amended) A throttle valve adjusting device according to ~~one of Claims 1-4 to 11~~, wherein characterized in that the torsional strength of the pole tube (16) is produced by means of a screw connection between the pole tube (16) and the contact plate (10).

15. (NEW) A throttle valve adjusting device according to Claim 2, wherein magnets are fixed in the pole tube by an axially arranged spring element that presses the magnets in a tangential direction against at least one projection on an inner wall of the pole tube, and the pole tube comprises, at least on a side facing the valve housing, a flat spot running in the axial direction.

16. (NEW) A throttle valve adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein the electric motor is fixed, via projections disposed at the second closed end of the pole tube, to the bearing block so that the electric motor is torsionally rigid and the projections engage in a corresponding recess of the bearing block.